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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

On January 3, 2003, Applicants filed a response to the Office Action dated July 5, 2002, and indicated that a Rule 132 Declaration would be provided shortly.

Applicants now enclose a Declaration Under 37 CFR § 1.132 from David Hacker. As set forth in paragraphs 5-7 of the Declaration, U.S. Patent 5,595,589 (Hoshiba et al.) fails to provide a disclosure adequate to enable a person of ordinary skill in the art to make and use an erasable colored pencil lead, and the lead disclosed in Hoshiba et al., if prepared following the (inadequate) teaching, does not produce an erasable mark.

The application is in good and proper form for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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